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Dear Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests favorable reconsideration of the abovereferenced application in view of the following remarks. A copy of the pending claims is attached.

In the event an extension of time is needed to make the filing of this paper timely, and no separate petition is attached, please consider this a petition for the requisite extension. If any fee is due in connection with the filing of this paper, the undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988 (under the above Docket Number).